

# **Generator Interconnection Facility Study Report**

for the



October 12, 2023

# FACILITY STUDY REPORT (FSR)

330 MW

Project #696

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## 1. <u>General Facility Description</u>

(Interconnection Customer) has stated that the proposed project will consist of a 355.8 MWac battery energy storage system (BESS) and connect to the bus at Idaho Power Company's (IPC) in County, Idaho. The total project output as studied is 330 MW.

Contact Information for Interconnection Customer is as follows:



A Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement (LGIA) under IPC's Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) between Interconnection Customer and IPC (Transmission Provider) for the 330 MW for the specifically Generator Interconnection Project #696 (Project), will be prepared for this project. The LGIA will be a definitive agreement that contains terms and conditions that supersedes this FSR.

## **Project Queue and Affected Systems:**

The Project has applied to connect to Idaho Power's transmission system for an injection of 330 MW at a single Point of Interconnection (POI) at IPC's Hemingway Station.

If an earlier queue project that is responsible for providing additional transmission capacity should drop out of the queue, a later queue project that may have been relying on at least a portion of any "surplus" capacity may then be faced with additional project costs for transmission capacity additions of their own. As of the date of this report, there are projects in the queue (GI #530, GI #551, GI #567, GI #590, GI #604, GI #605, GI #619, GI #624, GI #625, GI #629, GI #630, GI #632, GI #634, GI #636, GI #638, GI #639, GI #640, GI #646, GI #657, GI #659, GI #660, and GI #665) ahead of the 330 MW

The recommended upgrades for GI #530, GI #551, GI #567, GI #590, GI #604, GI #605, GI #619, GI #624, GI #625, GI #629, GI #630, GI #632, GI #634, GI #636, GI #638, GI #639, GI #640, GI #646, GI #657, GI #659, GI #660, and GI #665 were assumed to be completed prior to the interconnection of the Project.

There are identified Transmission Provider planned system improvements that were assumed in service for GI #696 as well as contingent facility Network Upgrades. These are required to be completed prior to the interconnection of this Project. Details on the contingent facilities identified are in Appendix B. For this and other reasons, the cost estimates included in this FSR are estimates only, and are based on currently known or assumed facts that may not be accurate or materialize and are subject to change

The following Transmission Provider planned system improvements were assumed in-service:

- Boardman to Hemingway 500kV transmission line (2026)
- 50% series capacitance compensation on the Kinport to Midpoint 345kV transmission line (2025)
- Midpoint Substation transformer T502 500:345kV transformer (2025)
- Hemingway to Bowmont 230kV transmission line (2025)
- Bowmont to Hubbard 230kV transmission line (2025)
- Midpoint to Hemingway #2 500kV transmission line (2028)

## 1.1 Interconnection Point

The Interconnection Facilities are located in IPC's region in Township , Range and Section . The Point of Interconnection (POI) for the Project will be at Station on IPC's side of , where the bus connects between and A drawing identifying the POI is attached as Exhibit 1.

## 1.2 Point of Change of Ownership

The Point of Change of Ownership for the Project will be on the Interconnection Customer's side of the content of Change of Ownership is attached as Exhibit 1.

## 1.3 Interconnection Customer's Facilities

The Interconnection Customer's facilities are located approximately miles away from IPC's Interconnection Facilities. The Interconnection Customer will install batteries, seventy-eight (78) Sungrow SC 5000U-MV inverters, disconnect switches, distribution collector system, transformers, controllers, appropriate grounding measures, and associated auxiliary equipment. The main step-up transformers are two (2) 105/165/205 MVA GSU transformers. Interconnection Customer will build facilities to the Point of Change of Ownership.

The Interconnection Customer's system will be constructed as follows:

- 1. The BESS inverter system will comprise of seventy-eight (78) Sungrow SC 5000U-MV inverters.
- 2. Transformers are two (2) 105/165/205 MVA
- 3. 230kV Gen-Tie line with OPGW from Interconnection Customer's Facilities to the Point of Change of Ownership
- 4. A plant controller will be used to control the inverter system and to implement smart inverter functionality for operating the project within a voltage range and power factor specified by IPC at the Point of Interconnection

#### 1.4 Other Facilities Provided by Interconnection Customer

#### 1.4.1 Telecommunications

The Interconnection Customer is not responsible for any third-party communication circuits for the IPC Interconnection Facilities. Any additional telecommunication requirements will be the sole responsibility of the Interconnection Customer.

#### 1.4.2 Ground Fault Equipment

The Interconnection Customer will install transformer configurations that will provide a ground source to the transmission system.

#### 1.4.3 Generator Output Limit Control

The Interconnection Customer will install equipment to receive signals from IPC Grid Operations for Generation Output Limit Control (GOLC)—see Section 3 Operating Requirements and Appendix A. IPC's recommended method of communication for GOLC is via fiber between Hemingway Station and the Project.

#### 1.4.4 Local Service

The Interconnection Customer is responsible to arrange for local service to their site, as necessary.

#### 1.4.5 Site Work

None required.

#### **1.4.6 Monitoring Information**

If the Interconnection Customer requires the ability to monitor information related to the IPC breaker/relay (i.e., Mirrored Bits) in IPC's Hemingway Station, they are required to supply their own communications circuit. The fiber communication circuit used for GOLC is acceptable.

#### 1.4.7 Generator Technical Information & Drawings

Interconnection Customer shall provide draft design prints during Project design development containing technical information, like impedances, and equipment brand and models. After construction, the Interconnection Customer shall submit to IPC all the as-built information, including prints with the latest approved technical information and commissioning test results.

#### **1.5 IPC's Interconnection Facilities**

Transmission Provider's Interconnection Facilities are referred to hereafter as "IPC's Interconnection Facilities." IPC will install at the second structures is one ION 8650A meter, two dead-end structures, one 230kV air-break switch, three CTs, required foundations, bus, bus supports and fiber communication equipment to allow the Interconnection Customer to interconnect the Project. IPC will install facilities up to the Point of Change of Ownership.

IPC will install equipment to collect and transmit Phasor Measurement Unit (PMU) data to IPC. The data can be made available to the Interconnection Customer on request.

The minimum acceptable PMU message rate is 30 messages per second. The minimum set of PMU measurement channels recorded at the POI is shown below. Additional or substitute channels may be required on a per case basis depending on the interconnection configuration and facility design details.

- Frequency
- Frequency Delta (dF/dt)
- Positive Sequence Voltage Magnitude
- Positive Sequence Voltage Angle
- Positive Sequence Current Magnitude
- Positive Sequence Current Angle

## 2. Estimated Milestones

These milestones will begin, and the construction schedule referenced below will only be valid, upon receipt of funding from Interconnection Customer or its authorized third party no later than the date set forth below for such payment. IPC will not commit any resources toward project construction that have not been funded by Interconnection Customer. Additionally, failure by Interconnection Customer to make the required payments as set forth in this Study by the date(s) specified below may result in the loss of milestone dates and construction schedules set forth below. In the event that the Interconnection Customer is unable to meet dates as outlined below, Interconnection Customer may request suspension of up to three (3) years pursuant to section 5.16 of the LGIA. Upon suspension of work pursuant to section 5.16 of the LGIA, the applicable construction duration, timelines, and schedules set forth in Appendix D shall be likewise suspended. Estimated milestones, which may be updated and revised for inclusion in the LGIA in light of subsequent developments and conditions, are as follows:

Estimated Date	<b>Responsible Party</b>	Estimated Milestones
TBD	Interconnection Customer	<ul> <li>Project Initiation (all three must be complete to initiate project):</li> <li>LGIA Executed</li> <li>IPC receives Notice to Proceed for design, procurement, <u>and</u> construction</li> <li>Construction Funding received or arrangements acceptable to IPC are made with IPC's Credit Department</li> </ul>
24 months after Project Initiation Milestone Met	IPC	IPC Engineering and Design Complete
36 months after Project Initiation Milestone Met	IPC	IPC Long Lead Material Procured/Received
6 months prior to IPC Commissioning	IPC	New generation must be modeled and submitted to the Western Energy Imbalance Market a minimum of 6 months prior to coming online, failure to submit by given lead time will results in project delay.
TBD	IPC	Contingent facilities for GI #696 completed. (Appendix B)
42 months after Project Initiation Milestone Met	IPC	IPC Construction Complete
43 months after Project Initiation Milestone Met	IPC	IPC Commissioning Complete Back feed power is available

Estimated Date	Responsible Party	Estimated Milestones
2028	IPC	All Transmission Provider planned system improvements completed including Midpoint to Hemingway #2 500kV transmission line Complete
5 days after switching request made to IPC Dispatch	Interconnection Customer	Switch at the Point of Interconnection can be closed
TBD	IPC	Notification from IPC's Energy Contracting Coordinator confirming First Energy of Non- Firm Output
TBD	Interconnection Customer	Interconnection Customer testing begins
TBD	IPC	Notification from IPC's Energy Contracting Coordinator confirming Operation Date (pending all requirements are met) of Firm Network Resource Output

Interconnection Customer has requested a Commercial Operation Date (COD) of 6/1/2026. The above milestone schedule does not align with the requested COD; however, IPC has developed the above milestone dates in good faith considering many factors, including the requested COD, known long-lead times, and the schedule of other in-progress projects. IPC does not warrant or guarantee the foregoing estimated milestone dates, which are estimates only. These milestone dates assume, among other things, that materials can be timely procured, labor resources are available, and that outages to the existing transmission system are available to be scheduled. Additionally, there are several matters, such as permitting issues and the performance of subcontractors that are outside the control of IPC that could delay the estimated Operation Date. For purposes of example only, federal, state, or local permitting, land division approval, identification of Interconnection Facilities location, access to proposed Interconnection Facilities location for survey and geotechnical investigation, coordination of design and construction with the Interconnection Customer, failure of IPC's vendors to timely perform services or deliver goods, and delays in payment from Interconnection Customer, may result in delays of any estimated milestone and the Operation Date of the project. To the extent any of the foregoing are outside of the reasonable control of IPC, they shall be deemed Force Majeure events.

## 3. Operating Requirements

The Project is required to comply with the applicable Voltage and Current Distortion Limits found in IEEE Standard 519-2014 *IEEE Recommended Practices and requirements for harmonic Control in Electrical Power Systems* or any subsequent standards as they may be updated from time to time.

The Project will be subject to reductions directed by IPC Grid Operations during transmission system contingencies and other reliability events. When these conditions occur, the Project will be subject to Generator Output Limit Control (GOLC) and will have equipment capable of receiving an analog setpoint via DNP 3.0 from IPC for GOLC. Generator Output Limit Control will be accomplished with a setpoint and discrete output control from IPC to the Project indicating maximum output allowed. For more detail see Appendix A.

Low Voltage Ride Through: The Project must be capable of riding through faults on adjacent sections of the power system without tripping due to low voltage. The interconnection projects must meet or exceed the Low Voltage Ride-Through requirements as set forth in NERC Standard PRC-024.

**Frequency Response Requirements:** Generator must be capable of providing Primary Frequency Response for both positive and negative frequency deviations from 60Hz (+/- 0.036 Hz) with a droop of up to 5% for Bulk Electric System disturbances. Provided that Generator meets the above Primary Frequency Response requirements, IPC shall not curtail Interconnection Customer when such curtailments are caused by a need to comply with applicable Frequency Responsive reliability standards.

**Momentary Cessation Requirements:** Momentary cessation should not be used within the voltage and frequency ride-through curves specified in PRC-024. Use of momentary cessation is not considered "ride through" within the "No Trip" zone curves of PRC-024. The use of momentary cessation should be eliminated to the extent possible consistent with NERC's *Reliability Guideline for BPS-Connected Inverter-Based Resource Performance*.

Interconnection Customer will be able to modify power plant facilities on the Interconnection Customer side of the Point of Change of Ownership with no impact upon the operation of the transmission or distribution system whenever the generation facilities are electrically isolated from the system via the system via the system of the terminal clearance is issued by IPC's Grid Operator.

## 4. Reactive Power

It is the Project's responsibility to provide reactive power capability to have a power factor operating range of at least 0.95 leading (absorbing) to at least 0.95 lagging (supplying) at the high side of the generator substation over the range of real power output (up to maximum output of the project).

The Project must have equipment capable of receiving an analog setpoint, via DNP 3.0, from IPC for Voltage Control. IPC will issue an operating voltage schedule for the Project prior to the Project's In-Service Date. For more detail see Appendix A.

## 5. Upgrades

## 5.1 Upgrades to Distribution System

No distribution upgrades are required.

## 5.2 Network Upgrades to Substations

The will be upgraded to include the breakers, the breakers, a set of the set

## 5.3 Network Upgrades to Transmission System

No transmission line network upgrades are required.

## 6. Estimated Costs

The following good faith estimates are provided in 2023 dollars and are based on a number of assumptions and conditions. IPC does not warrant or guarantee the estimated costs in the table below, which are estimates only and are subject to change. Interconnection Customer will be responsible for all actual costs incurred in connection with the work to be performed by IPC and its agents, under the terms and subject to the conditions included in any LGIA executed by IPC and Interconnection

Customer. Overhead costs cover the indirect costs associated with the Project and may vary from time to time.

The estimated cost below is required to be paid in full by the Interconnection Customer, or other arrangements acceptable to IPC are made with IPC's Credit Department, prior to IPC commencing construction on the project.

#### **Estimated Cost:**

Description	Ownership	Cost Estimate
IPC Interconnection Facilities:		
Facilities between the Point of Change of Ownership and Point of		
Interconnection as described in Section 1.5	IPC	\$475,159
Contingency 20%		\$95,032
Overheads 7.0%		\$39,913
TOTAL		\$610,104
Network Upgrades to IPC Substation		
Upgrades at Hemingway Station as described in Section 5.2	IPC	\$9,190,927
Contingency 20%		\$1,838,185
Overheads 7.0%		\$772,038
TOTAL		\$11,801,151
GRAND TOTAL	\$12,411,255	

## Note Regarding Transmission Service:

This FSR is a study of a request for Network Resource Interconnection Service. This FSR identifies the facilities necessary to provide such service. Network Resource Interconnection Service in and of itself does not convey any right to transmission service or to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

## Note Regarding LGIA:

This FSR is a study and preliminary evaluation only and does not constitute, or form the basis of, a definitive agreement related to the matters described in this FSR. Unless and until a LGIA is executed by IPC and Interconnection Customer, no party will have any legal rights or obligations, express or implied, related to the subject matter of this FSR.

## **Appendix A**

## **Generation Interconnection Control Requirements**

## A.1 Generator Output Limit Control (GOLC)

**A.1.1** IPC requires Interconnected Power Producers to accept GOLC signals from IPC's energy management system (EMS).

**A.1.2** The GOLC signals will consist of four points shared between the IPC EMS (via the IPC RTU) and the Interconnection Customer's Generator Controller (SGC). The IPC RTU will be the master and the SGC will be the slave.

A.1.2.1 GOLC Setpoint: An analog output that contains the MW value the Interconnection Customer should curtail to, should a GOLC request be made via the GOLC On/Off discrete output Control point.
 A.1.2.1.1 An Analog Input feedback point must be updated (to reflect the GOLC setpoint value) by the SGC upon the SGC's receipt of the GOLC setpoint change, with no intentional delay.

**A.1.2.2** GOLC On/Off: A discrete output (DO) control point with pulsing Trip/Close controls. Following a "GOLC On" control (DNP Control Code "Close/Pulse On"), the SGC will run power output back to the MW value specified in the GOLC Setpoint. Following a "GOLC Off" control (DNP Control Code "Trip/Pulse On"), the Interconnection Customer is free to run to maximum possible output.

**A.1.2.2.1** A Discrete Input (DI) feedback point must be updated (to reflect the last GOLC DO Control Code received) by the SGC upon the SGC's receipt of the GOLC DO control, with no intentional delay. The feedback DI should latch to an OFF state following the receipt of a "GOLC OFF" control and it should latch to an ON state following the receipt of an "GOLC ON" control.

**A.1.3** If a GOLC control is issued, it is expected to see MW reductions start within 1 minute and plant output to be below the GOLC Setpoint value within 10 minutes.

## A.2 Voltage Control

**A.2.1** IPC requires Transmission-Interconnected Power Producers to accept voltage control signals from IPC's EMS when they are connected to IPC's transmission system.

**A.2.2** The voltage control will consist of one setpoint and one feedback point shared between the IPC EMS and the SGC.

**A.2.3** The setpoint will contain the desired target voltage for plant operation. This setpoint will have a valid control range between 0.95 and 1.05 per unit (p.u.) of nominal system voltage.

**A.2.4** The control will always be active, there is no digital supervisory point like the Curtail On/Off control above.

**A.2.4.1** When a setpoint change is issued an Analog Input feedback point must be updated (to reflect the voltage control setpoint value) by the SGC upon the SGC's receipt of the voltage control setpoint change, with no intentional delay.

**A.2.4.2** When a setpoint change is received by the SGC, the voltage control system should react with no intentional delay.

**A.2.4.3** The voltage control system should operate at the voltage indicated by the setpoint with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the nominal system voltage.

**A.2.5** The Interconnection Customer should supervise this control by setting up "reasonability limits", i.e. configure a reasonable range of values for this control to be valid. As an example, they will accept anything in the valid control range (between 0.95 and 1.05 p.u.) but reject values outside this range. If they were fed an erroneous value outside the valid range, their control system would default to the last known, good value.

Digital Inputs to IPC (DNP Obj. 01, Var. 2)							
Index	Description	State (0/1)	Comments:				
			Feedback provided by				
0	GOLC Off/On (Control Feedback)	Off/On	Interconnection Customer				
	FREQUENCY RESPONSE OFF/ON		Feedback provided by				
1	(Control Feedback)	Off/On	Interconnection Customer				
	52A Interconnection Customer Main Breaker						
2	(if present)	Open/Closed	Sourced at substation				
	52A Interconnection Customer Capacitor						
3	Breaker (if present)	Open/Closed	Sourced at substation				

## A.3 Generation Interconnection Data Points Requirements

Digital Outputs to Interconnection Customer (DNP Obj. 12, Var. 1)					
Index	Description	Comments:			
0	GOLC Off/On	Control issued by IPC			
1	Frequency Response Off/On	Control issued by IPC			

	Analog Inputs to IPC (DNP Obj. 30, Var. 2)						
		Raw	Raw	EU	EU	EU	
Index	Description	High	Low	High	Low	Units	Comments:
							Provided by
	GOLC Setpoint Value Received						Interconnection
0	(Feedback)	32767	-32768	TBD	TBD	MW	Customer
							Provided by
	Voltage Control Setpoint Value Rec'd						Interconnection
1	(Feedback)	32767	-32768	TBD	TBD	kV	Customer
							Provided by
							Interconnection
2	Maximum Park Generating Capacity	32767	-32768	TBD	TBD	MW	Customer
3	SPARE						
4	SPARE						
5	SPARE						
6	SPARE						
7	SPARE						
8	SPARE						
9	SPARE						
10	SPARE						
11	SPARE						
12	SPARE						
13	SPARE						

Analog Inputs to IPC (DNP Obj. 30, Var. 2)								
	Raw Raw EU EU EU							
Index	Description	High	Low	High	Low	Units	Comments:	
14	SPARE							
15	SPARE							
16	SPARE							
17	SPARE							

	Analog Outputs to Interconnection Customer(DNP Obj. 41, Var. 2)						
		Raw	Raw	EU	EU	EU	
Index	Description	High	Low	High	Low	Units	Comments:
0	GOLC Setpoint	32767	-32768	TBD	TBD	MW	Control issued by IPC
1	Voltage Control Setpoint	32767	-32768	TBD	TBD	kV	Control issued by IPC
2	SPARE						
3	SPARE						
4	SPARE						
5	SPARE						
6	SPARE						
7	SPARE						
8	SPARE						
9	SPARE						

# **Appendix B**

The following table B1 is a summary of the Transmission Provider planned system improvements that were assumed in service for GI #696, as detailed in the GI #696 System Impact Report dated July 3, 2023. Table B2 is a summary of the contingent facility network upgrades that are required to be in service, as detailed in the GI #696 System Impact Report dated July 3, 2023.

Table B1:	GI #696	Transmission	Provider	planned s	vstem im	orovements
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Transmission Provider planned system improvements	Estimated Date
Adjacent Bay (breakers, switches, and controls) of Idaho Power project to build a new 230kV transmission line from	2026

#### Table B2: GI #696 Contingent facility network upgrades

<b>Contingent Facility Network Upgrades</b>	Estimated cost	Estimated In- Service
Adjacent Bay (breakers, switches, and controls) of	GI 619 (N/A) GI 629 (\$1,210,362)	GI 619 (07/31/23) GI 629 (TBD)
GI #619, #629, #632, and #634	GI 632 (\$1,761,347) GI 634 (N/A)	GI 632 (TBD) GI 634 (06/30/24)